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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2005, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, claims 1-17 for prosecution in the subject application.

Applicant, of course, reserves the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of any non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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